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1. KOLO LEAVES NEW YORK FOR LONDON
2. REFERENCES TO MEMBERS OF THE JUGOSLAV GOVERNMENT...
IN LONDON

(1944)

From: NEW YORK

To: MOSCOW

No.: 1042

25th July 1944

To VIKTOR[i].

KOLO[ii] is leaving by air for SIDON[iii] on 25th July 1944. Your instructions have been passed on to him. Take into account the fact that KOLO [2 groups unrecovered] leadership[RUKOVODSTVO]. For example when HALPERN[GAL'PERN][iv], who had arrived from SIDON, told KOLO that SERES[v] was certain about the inclusion in the Government of KONSTANTINOVIC[vi] and TOPALOVIC[vii]

[8 groups unrecovered]

. He [C% will have to be] told not to take any important decisions without preliminary clearance from us.

KOLO needs [3 groups unrecovered]. He has no personal ambition.

[10 groups unrecovered]

his behaviour, one can take it that he is a man who is devoted to us and who understands that the well-being of his native country depends on our support.

To establish contact our man tells KOLO that VLADO[viii] is TYRE[TIR][ix] wishes to be remembered to him.

A year ago KOLO let slip to SERES the fact that he was in contact with SERGEJ[a][x]. KOLO himself, in view of the position which SERES is occupying[b], suspects that the latter is in contact with us although S.[xi] has never betrayed to him his dealings with SERGEJ. This shows [2 groups unrecovered] KOLO [C% the necessity for absolute secrecy]. In future one should go on patiently explaining the importance of this point to him.

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In view of the urgency of KOLO's departure there is no possibility [2 groups unrecovered] with him DEKA[xii]. It is not at all likely that he [1 group unrecovered] SERES from SIDON.

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MAY(MAJ)[xiii]

Notes: [a] Literally "... let slip to SERES about contact with SERGEJ"
[b] or "is taking up".

Comments: [i] VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.

[ii] KOLO: Sava N. KOSANOVIC, Minister for Home Affairs, Social Welfare, Health and Public Works in the SUBASIC Government of JUGOSLAVIA in LONDON.

[iii] SIDON: LONDON.

[iv] HALPERN: Aleksandr J. HALPERN, Chief of the Minorities Sub-Section of British Security Coordination in NEW YORK.

[v] SERES: Dr. Ivan SUBASIC, Prime Minister of the Yugoslav Government in LONDON.

[vi] KONSTANTINOVIC: Dr. Mikhail KONSTANTINOVIC, member of the Yugoslav Government 1939-1941.

[vii] TOPALOVIC: Dr. Zhivko TOPALOVIC, appointed leader of the Yugoslav Social-Democratic Party in January 1944.

[viii] VLADO: Unidentified. May just be a fictitious name.

[ix] TYRE: NEW YORK CITY.

[x] SERGEJ: Vladimir PRAVDIN, Tass representative in the USA.

[xi] S: Abbreviation for SERES (see comment [v]).

[xii] DEK(A): Unidentified; Also occurs in NEW YORK's No. 1016 of 20th July 1944 (3/NBP/T377).

[xiii] MAY: Stepan Zakharovich APRESYAN, Soviet Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.